

## Message Text

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SUBJ: CUSTOMS SENIOR LEVEL OBSERVATION PROGRAM

STATE FOR EA/IMS PLEASE PASS U.S. CUSTOMS

REF: STATE 059185, SINGAPORE 0971

INVITATIONS FOR MR. LIM THEAN SOO, COMPTROLLER, SINGAPORE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE, AND ONE ASSISTANT TO VISIT U.S. FOR SENIOR LEVEL OBSERVATION PROGRAM HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND FORWARDED TO GOS. SINGAPORE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WHICH HAS FINAL SAY IN MATTERS RELATING TO OVERSEAS PROGRAMS FOR ALL CIVIL SERVANTS, HAS, AT THIS TIME, AUTHORIZED THE ATTENDANCE OF THE COMPTROLLER ONLY FOR SUBJECT PROGRAM.

MR. LIM HAS TENTATIVE PLANS TO LEAVE SINGAPORE ON 4 JUNE 1975. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED AS THEY ARE CONFIRMED. MISSION SUGGESTS THAT U.S. CUSTOMS RETAIN SECOND INVITATION, WHICH WAS FOR ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER LIAO LONG SING, UNTIL AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1975. FEEL THAT PSC WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO TWO INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMS RATHER THAN ONE PROGRAM WITH TWO PARTICIPANTS.

WHILE MR. LIM'S POSITION AS COMPTROLLER GIVES HIM OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR CUSTOMS OPERATIONS, LIAO LONG SING IS CHARGED WITH MODERNIZATION PROGRAM INCLUDING COMPUTER USAGE. BELIEVE HIS ATTENDANCE AS SENIOR OBSERVER AT LATER DATE WOULD BE IN BEST INTEREST OF BOTH GOS AND USG. CRONK

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